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Applicant(s) : Bruno Johannes Ehrnsperger et al.
Filed : December 20, 2000
Title : Device For Absorbing Or Collecting A Liquid
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RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION DATED NOV. 5, 2003

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action of November 5, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

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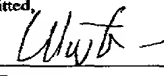
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